

**Safety data sheet**  
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## 1 Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

- **1.1. Product identifier**
- **Trade name:** L-Ascorbic acid
- **Synonyma** Vitamin C
- **Article number:** 14030
- **CAS Number:**  
50-81-7
- **EC number:**  
200-066-2
- **1.2. Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against**
- **Application of the substance / the preparation** Laboratory chemicals
- **1.3. Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**
- **Manufacturer/Supplier:**  
SERVA Electrophoresis GmbH  
Carl-Benz-Str. 7  
D-69115 Heidelberg  
Tel.: +49 6221 13840-0  
FAX: +49 6221 13840-10  
msds.info@serva.de
- **Information department:** Product Safety department Tel.: +49 6221 13840-35
- **1.4. Emergency telephone number:** +49 6131 19240 (university hospital Mainz)

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## 2 Hazards identification

- **2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture**
- **Classification according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008**  
The substance is not classified according to the CLP regulation.
- **Classification according to Directive 67/548/EEC or Directive 1999/45/EC not applicable**
- **Classification system:**  
The classification was made according to the latest editions of the EU-lists, and expanded upon from company and literature data.
- **2.2. Label elements**
- **Labelling according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008** Void
- **Hazard pictograms** Void
- **Signal word** Void
- **Hazard statements** Void
- **2.3. Other hazards**
- **Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**
- **PBT:** Not applicable.
- **vPvB:** Not applicable.

## 3 Composition/information on ingredients

- **3.1. Chemical characterization: Substances**
- **CAS No. Description:**  
50-81-7 ascorbic acid
- **Identification number(s):**
- **EC number:** 200-066-2
- **Description:**
- **Empirical formula:** C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>8</sub>O<sub>6</sub>
- **MW:** 176,1

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#### 4 First aid measures

- **4.1. Description of first aid measures**
- **General information** No special measures required.
- **After inhalation** Supply fresh air; consult doctor in case of complaints.
- **After skin contact** Immediately rinse with water.
- **After eye contact** Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water.
- **After swallowing** Drink copious amounts of water and provide fresh air. Call for doctor immediately.
- **Information for doctor**
- **4.2. Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed**  
No further relevant information available.
- **4.3. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**  
No further relevant information available.

#### 5 Firefighting measures

- **5.1. Extinguishing media**
- **Suitable extinguishing agents**  
CO<sub>2</sub>, extinguishing powder or water spray. Fight larger fires with water spray or alcohol resistant foam.
- **5.2. Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture** No further relevant information available.
- **5.3. Advice for firefighters**
- **Protective equipment:** No special measures required.

#### 6 Accidental release measures

- **6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures** Wear protective clothing.
- **6.2. Environmental precautions:** Do not allow to enter sewers/ surface or ground water.
- **6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up:** Pick up mechanically.
- **6.4. Reference to other sections** No dangerous substances are released.

#### 7 Handling and storage

- **Handling**
- **7.1. Precautions for safe handling** Prevent formation of dust.
- **Information about protection against explosions and fires:** No special measures required.
- **7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**
- **Storage**
- **Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles:** No special requirements.
- **Information about storage in one common storage facility:** Not required.
- **Further information about storage conditions:**  
Store in dry conditions.  
Protect from exposure to the light.
- **7.3. Specific end use(s)** No further relevant information available.

#### 8 Exposure controls/personal protection

- **Additional information about design of technical systems:** No further data; see item 7.
- **8.1. Control parameters**
- **Components with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace:** Not required.
- **Additional information:** The lists that were valid during the creation were used as basis.

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- **8.2. Exposure controls**
- **Personal protective equipment**
- **General protective and hygienic measures**  
The usual precautionary measures should be adhered to when handling chemicals.
- **Breathing equipment:** Suitable respiratory protective device recommended.
- **Protection of hands:**  
The glove material has to be impermeable and resistant to the product/ the substance/ the preparation.  
Due to missing tests no recommendation to the glove material can be given for the product/ the preparation/ the chemical mixture.  
Selection of the glove material on consideration of the penetration times, rates of diffusion and the degradation
- **Material of gloves**  
The selection of the suitable gloves does not only depend on the material, but also on further marks of quality and varies from manufacturer to manufacturer.
- **Penetration time of glove material**  
The exact break through time has to be found out by the manufacturer of the protective gloves and has to be observed.
- **For the permanent contact of a maximum of 15 minutes gloves made of the following materials are suitable:**  
Natural rubber, NR  
Nitrile rubber, NBR
- **Eye protection:** Safety glasses
- **Body protection:** Protective work clothing.

## 9 Physical and chemical properties

- **9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties**
- **General Information**
- **Appearance:**

<b>Form:</b>	Crystalline
<b>Colour:</b>	White
<b>Odour:</b>	Odourless
- **pH-value (50 g/l) at 20°C:** 2.1 - 2.6
- **Change in condition**

<b>Melting point/Melting range:</b>	190°C
<b>Boiling point/Boiling range:</b>	undetermined
- **Flash point:** Not applicable
- **Flammability (solid, gaseous)** Product is not flammable.
- **Ignition temperature:**
- **Decomposition temperature:** 190°C
- **Danger of explosion:** Product does not present an explosion hazard.
- **Density at 20°C:** 1.65 g/cm<sup>3</sup>
- **Bulk density at 20°C:** 500 - 900 kg/m<sup>3</sup>
- **Solubility in / Miscibility with**

<b>Water at 20°C:</b>	330 g/l
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- **9.2. Other information** Ascorbic acid fades in contact with air or humidity.

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### 10 Stability and reactivity

- **10.1. Reactivity**
- **10.2. Chemical stability**
- **Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:**  
No decomposition if used and stored according to specifications.  
Decomposes without melting.
- **10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions**  
Reacts with various metals  
Reacts with oxidizing agents
- **10.4. Conditions to avoid** No further relevant information available.
- **10.5. Incompatible materials:** No further relevant information available.
- **10.6. Hazardous decomposition products:** No dangerous decomposition products known

### 11 Toxicological information

- **11.1. Information on toxicological effects**
- **Acute toxicity:**

- **LD/LC50 values that are relevant for classification:**

Oral	LD50	11900 mg/kg (rat)
	LC50/96h (static)	1020 mg/l (Fish)

- **Primary irritant effect:**
- **on the skin:** No irritant effect.
- **on the eye:** No irritating effect.
- **Sensitization:** No sensitizing effects known.
- **Additional toxicological information:**  
When used and handled according to specifications, the product does not have any harmful effects according to our experience and the information provided to us.  
The substance is not subject to classification according to the latest version of the EU lists.

### 12 Ecological information

- **12.1. Toxicity**
- **Acquatic toxicity:** No further relevant information available.
- **12.2. Persistence and degradability** No further relevant information available.
- **Other information:**  
The product is easily biodegradable.  
97 %, 5 d  
100 %, 15 d
- **Behaviour in environmental systems:**
- **12.3. Bioaccumulative potential** No further relevant information available.
- **12.4. Mobility in soil** No further relevant information available.
- **Additional ecological information:**
- **General notes:**  
Water hazard class 1 (German Regulation) (Assessment by list): slightly hazardous for water.  
Do not allow undiluted product or large quantities of it to reach ground water, water course or sewage system.
- **12.5. Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**
- **PBT:** PBT - assessment not available.
- **vPvB:** vPvB - assessment not available.
- **12.6. Other adverse effects** No further relevant information available.

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### 13 Disposal considerations

- **13.1. Waste treatment methods**
- **Recommendation** Smaller quantities can be disposed of with household waste.
- **Uncleaned packagings:**
- **Recommendation:** Disposal must be made according to official regulations.
- **Recommended cleansing agent:** Water, if necessary with cleansing agents.

### 14 Transport information

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| · <b>14.1. UN-Number</b><br>· <b>ADR, ADN, IMDG, IATA</b>                                    | Void   |
| · <b>14.2. UN proper shipping name</b><br>· <b>ADR, ADN, IMDG, IATA</b>                      | Void   |
| · <b>14.3. Transport hazard class(es)</b><br>· <b>ADR, ADN, IMDG, IATA</b><br>· <b>Class</b> | Void   |
| · <b>14.4. Packing group</b><br>· <b>ADR, IMDG, IATA</b>                                     | Void   |
| · <b>14.5. Environmental hazards:</b>  | Not applicable.                                      |
| · <b>14.6. Special precautions for user</b>  | Not applicable.                                      |
| · <b>14.7. Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code</b>       | Not applicable.                                      |
| · <b>Transport/Additional information:</b>   | Not dangerous according to the above specifications. |
| · <b>UN "Model Regulation":</b>  | -  |

### 15 Regulatory information

- **15.1. Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture**
- **National regulations**
- **Water hazard class:** Water hazard class 1 (Assessment by list): slightly hazardous for water.
- **15.2. Chemical safety assessment:** A Chemical Safety Assessment has not been carried out.

### 16 Other information

*This information is based on our present knowledge. However, this shall not constitute a guarantee for any specific product features and shall not establish a legally valid contractual relationship.*

- **Department issuing MSDS:** Product safety department
- **Contact:** +49 6221 13840-35
- **Abbreviations and acronyms:**  
 PBT: persistent, bioaccumulative, toxic substance (REACH)  
 vPvB: very persistent, very bioaccumulative substance (REACH)  
 REACH: Regulation concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals  
 CLP: Regulation on classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures  
 ADR: Accord européen sur le transport des marchandises dangereuses par Route (European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road)  
 RID: Règlement international concernant le transport des marchandises dangereuses par chemin de fer (Regulations Concerning the International Transport of Dangerous Goods by Rail)  
 IMDG: International Maritime Code for Dangerous Goods  
 IATA: International Air Transport Association  
 ICAO: International Civil Aviation Organization

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*GHS: Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals**EINECS: European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances**CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service (division of the American Chemical Society)**LC50: Lethal concentration, 50 percent**LD50: Lethal dose, 50 percent***. \* Data compared to the previous version altered.**

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